

Introduction to the Flip Camera



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What is a Flip Camera?

- Inexpensive point-and-shoot digital camera
- Pocket-sized camcorder
- Captures video directly to built-in memory card or take still shots
- Download video directly to your computer
- Edit video with Flip software or any other program like Windows Movie Maker or iMovie
- PERFECT BEGINNER VIDEO CAMERA TOOL!

Two Models in Our District

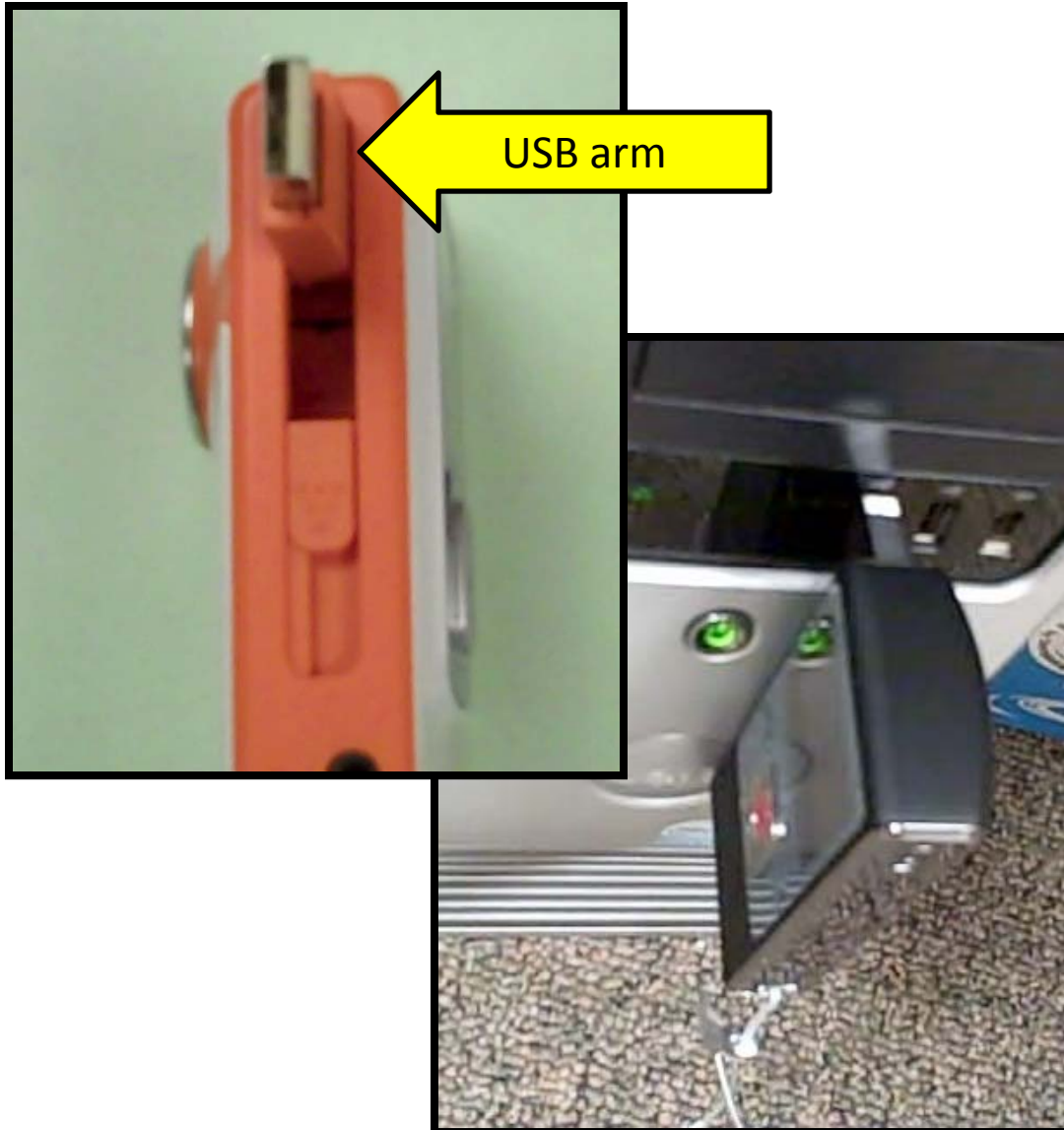


Flip Mino – records up to 60 minutes of video; available in SD or HD



Flip Ultra – records up to 120 minutes of video; available in SD or HD

Charging your Flip Camera



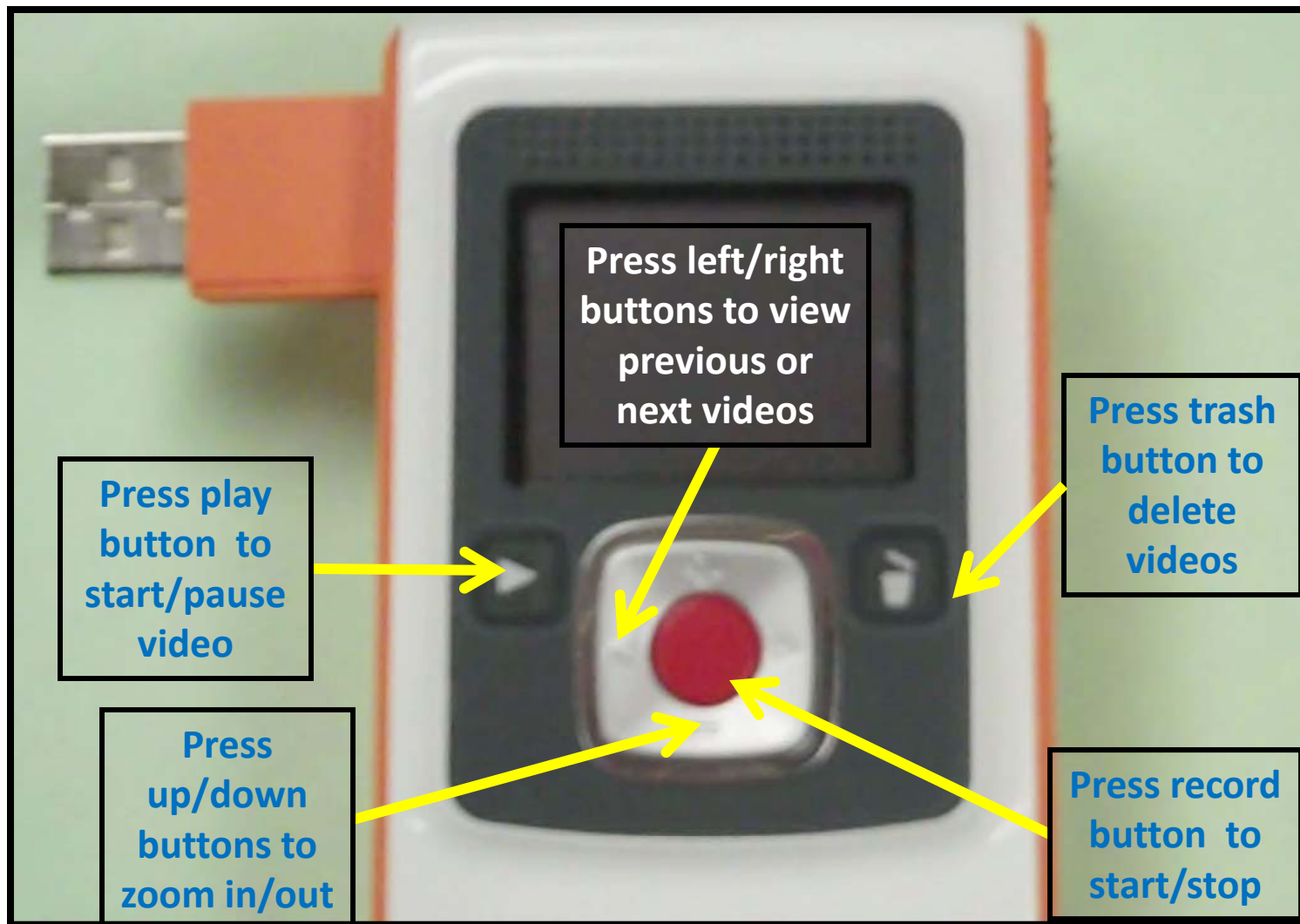
Charge the battery by plugging the USB arm into your computer's USB port.

Turning it On



Most models activate by pushing the slide button located on the side of your Flip camera.

Function Buttons



Point and Shoot

Set up your shot;
press record to
begin and stop





Downloading Video to Your Computer

[Click on the picture to view a tutorial on how to download your video to your computer.](#)

[This will allow you to edit your video clips in Windows Movie Maker or iMovie.](#)

Video Tutorial by Mike Ciavola, SHMS

Tips for Recording Good Video

General Recording Techniques

- Keep your camera settings on auto-focus, auto-lighting, and auto-exposure. Most consumer cameras use these default settings.
- Frame the scene using a tripod and view the scene through the lens to make sure distance, sound, and lighting are good. Don't record objects or people dead center. Use the lines created by buildings, streets, trees, etc. to draw viewer in.
- Limit zooming, panning, and other movements with the camera while recording—both in frame (your shot) and with the camera. **MOVE YOURSELF IN TOWARDS THE SUBJECT!**
- Avoid recording jumpy, shaky, or uneven shots by using a tripod or brace yourself against a wall.
- Experiment with various framing techniques, camera angles, and movement.
- ALWAYS CAPTURE EXTRA FOOTAGE AT THE BEGINNING OR END FOR EDITING.
- **REMINDER: Keep the safety strap around your wrist while using the cameras so you do not accidentally drop them.**
- To view the full list of tips go to www.wssd.org/technology